BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL MEETING AUGUST 11, 2015 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Kevin Lyden, Elbert Bur, Robert Ross, Edward Chmielewski

ABSENT: Lewis Buckley

- 1. Call to Order: K. Lyden called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Minutes
 - A) M/S/C (Burr/ Ross) to approve the Board of Selectmen July 7, 2015 Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

3. Correspondence/Public Comments:

- K. Lyden read a resignation letter from Sue Spang, Adminstrative Assistant.
- K. Lyden stated SVFC Chief Rick Martin informed him the firehouse received a grant of \$12,000 for a thermal imaging camera. Chief Martin will ask the BOF to remove the item from the Capital budget.

4. Agenda

A) Discuss and Act on Donation of Land at 31 Harris Road Extension

K. Lyden presented a letter from Art Winakor concerning the donation of a .06 parcel of land on Harris Road Extension which once had a one room school house on the property. (see attached)

M/S/C (Lyden/Ross) to endorse that a Town Meeting be held to accept or reject the donation of a parcel of land on Harris Road.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

B) Discuss and Act on Donation of Land at 397 Old Colchester Road

Discussion took place on the parcel of land and building at 397 Old Colchester Road. The consensus of the BOS is there is no value in the building in its current state.

M/S/C (Burr/Ross) to endorse that a Town Meeting be held to accept or reject the donation of land and building at 397 Old Colchester Road.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

K. Lyden will set the date for a Town Meeting to present the donation of the parcels of land on Harris Road Extension and Old Colchester Road to Salem residents.

C) Authorize the First Selectman to File Application for STEAP Grant for the continued Construction of the Salem Multipurpose Path

M/S/C (Ross/Chmielewski) to authorize the First Selectman to file application for the 2016 STEAP Grant for the Continued Construction of the Salem Multipurpose Path.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

D) Tax Refunds

M/S/C (Ross/Chmielewski) the Board of Selectman direct the Town Treasurer to issue refunds in the amount of \$2,377.79 as recommend and certified by the Tax Collector as presented to the Board of Selectmen on August 11, 2015.

Vote: Approved unanimous.

(see attached)

5. Reports

A. First Selectman -

K. Lyden reported:

Employees in Town Hall have been busy 2014/2015 audit. Town Government is returning over \$200,000.00 to the General Fund.

Road paving is taking place around town.

The Library Municipal parking lot next to Salem School is in the process of being paved.

A retirement party was held for Chief Eugene Maiorano of the Salem Volunteer Fire Company for 36 years of service.

A cake and coffee was held for Salem Resident State Trooper Kevin Seery. A party will be held for him later in September. Officer Konow is now on days; and Officer Pariso is the evening trooper.

- **B.** Salem School Building Committee- E. Burr reported the Committee is getting close to having the final work completed. An additional \$65000 was moved into the school system. This included laminate to the lower windows, additional work on the stage, remove old tank and replacement of a tree.
- **C. Board of Education** E. Chmielewski reported the school is getting ready to open. The Efficiency Study Committee, the Long Range Committee and the Community Relations Committee have all been busy.
- **D. Board of Finance-** K. Lyden reported the BOF will require more justification for requests for items to be added on the 10 year capital plan.
- **E.** Planning and Zoning Commission A pre-application was heard for a business to be opened on Music Vale Road.
- F. Inland Wetlands and Conservation Commission No report.
- **G.** Economic Development Commission- No report.
- **H. Zoning Board of Appeals** No report.

- **I. Recreation Commission** K. Lyden will be advertising for a Program Director.
- **J. Public Safety** K. Lyden reported Officer Carson Konow will be covering the day resident trooper shift; Officer Chris Pariso will be covering the evening shift.
- K. Library Board- No report.
- 6. Public Comment- None
- 7. Adjournment M/C/S (Chmielewski/Burr) to adjourn at 7:31 P.M. Vote: Approved Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted Diane Weston Recording Secretary